



Community Bulletin

INDIAN OCEAN TERRITORIES

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Relevant: Christmas Island residents

Topic: Christmas Island – emergency alert siren testing

The Christmas Island community is advised that at 10.00am on Wednesday 15 April 2026, the Emergency Management Committee will perform a short test of an emergency alert siren in the Kampong area.

Residents and users of the Kampong and Flying Fish Cove are not required to take any action during the test and do not need to be alarmed. Testing will take approximately 15 minutes and people in the area may hear the siren in short bursts or a longer tone during the period.

There will be an increased presence of AFP officers, Emergency Management Committee members and the Emergency Management Officer within the Kampong and surrounding areas while the test is under way.

This routine test is part of the Australian Government's ongoing commitment to protecting the safety of Indian Ocean Territories residents. Ensuring the community is well-prepared for natural hazards and extreme weather events is an important part of maintaining strong emergency management arrangements on Christmas Island.

Testing helps confirm that warning systems are working effectively and the community can be alerted quickly should a real emergency occur.

We thank you for your understanding and cooperation as we continue to strengthen local preparedness and ensure the best protections are in place for Christmas Island.

In the meantime, please continue to respond to any emergency advice and alerts that occur.

Adam Stankevicius, Assistant Secretary, Territories Division